Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—There has been no proposal for the construction of a 'work-house for the poor'. Estimates for a poor-house are under preparation.

Entertainment of females in the Revenue Department.

56. Srimati T. Madhavi Amma.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are willing to entertain women-officers in the Revenue Department if they are found duly qualified?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—Government do not propose to entertain women as officers in the Revenue Department.

Music mistress of the Velur Church School.

57. Srimati T. Madhavi Amma.—Will the Government be pleased to inform this House what action they have taken in the case of the Music Mistress of the Velur Church School, who was relieved from duty, on account of the previous Manager's misconduct?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—The new Manager reported that there was no necessity for music teaching in the school. As the school was a Boys' School and as its grant had been stopped the reinstatement of the Music Mistress could not be insisted on. The Manager was however asked to cancel the order of suspension, the teachers' services being considered to have been dispensed with. No further action could be taken in the matter.

Production of paddy.

58. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—(a) What was the total production of paddy in the State in the year the Tenancy Regulation was passed; and

(b) what was the same in 1102?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—(a) and (b). Government regret that the information asked for cannot be supplied as no statistics showing the production of paddy are available.

Burial ground for the Depressed Classes in Pazhanji.

59. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Protector of the Depressed Classes has not received a petition for a burial ground and land for cultivation from the so-called Depressed Classes in Pazhanji village and that their prayer has been sanctioned?

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Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Yes; the petition is under consideration.

Mutual transfer of Magistrates.

60. **Mr. A. Sankara Puduval.**— Will the Government be pleased to state:—(a) the reasons why the Trichur Sub-Magistrate was recently transferred to Cochin, as Sub-Magistrate of Cochin, and

(b) how, in contravention of the Gazette Notification, a different officer happened to relieve the Trichur Magistrate?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—(a) In the public interests.

(b) There was really no contravention of the Gazette Notification. The relief by another Magistrate was unavoidable in the circumstances.

Free Compulsory Primary Education Bill and Caste and Religious Disabilities Removal Bill.

61. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table all the correspondence the Government had with reference to (1) Cochin Free Compulsory Primary Education Bill and (2) Caste and Religious Disabilities Removal Bill.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Government do not think it necessary to lay on the table the correspondence referred to.

No. of suits filed under section 23 (1) (b) of the Tenancy Regulation.

62. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) the total number of suits filed under section 23 (1) (b) of the Cochin Tenancy Regulation in each of the courts in the State with the names of jenmies who filed the suits and the area required;

(b) the total number of the above suits in which the landlords succeeded;

(c) the number of acres of land in which the jenmies have improved the cultivation after getting the land from the tenants and whether the tax has been increased as a result of this and if so by how much?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—(a) No suit filed.

(b) & (c) Do not arise.

State Guests.

63. **Mr. K. Sankaran Nambudiri.**—ഫറൻവ ക്രൂത്ത് ഫ്രഠറവ്വരെ ക്ഷണിച്ച അഞ്ചു കൊല്ലങ്ങളിൽ ഗവണ്മെണ്ടിൽ നിന്നു അതിഥികളായി കൊച്ചി രാജ്യം സന്ദർശിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള മാന്യന്മാരു

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